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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS

FOLLOWING REPEAT GEORGETOWN 0102 ACTION SECSTATE 16 JAN 76.

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SUBJ: RESPONSE TO GOG INQUIRY ABOUT PRESS REPORTS LINKING AID
PROGRAMS AND UN VOTES -- CLARIFICATION AND CORRECTION

REF: GEORGETOWN 0087

1. SUBSEQUENT TO SENDING REFTEL, I TELEPHONED FONMIN
WILLS TO SAY THAT AS I THOUGHT OVER OUR CONVERSATION, I
WANTED TO ENSURE THAT HE UNDERSTOOD I HAD NOT INTENDED TO
DENY OR CONFIRM THE FACTUAL ACCURACY OF NYT ARTICLE,
BUT THAT THE MESSAGE WAS TO CORRECT MISINTERPRETATION OF
THE ARTICLE AND CLARIFY STATUS OF OUR AID PROGRAM TO GUYANAN,
SOMEWHAT INCONGRUOUSLY IN VIEW OF HIS ASSERTIONS REPORTED
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PARA 2 AND 3 OF REFTEL, WILLS SAID HE HAD SO UNDERSTOOD.

2. I THEN TOLD WILLS I WAS CONFUSED AS TO WHEN HE NEXT PLANNED TO BE IN U.S. AND AVAILABLE FOR A POSSIBLE MEETING WITH ASST SECY ROGERS, SINCE WE HAD MENTIONED SEVERAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES IN OUR CONVERSATION. WILLS REPLIED ON ROUTE BACK FROM GROUP OF 77 CONFERENCE AT MANILA, HE THOUGHT AROUND FEB 7 (NOT COLOMBO AND SUMMER AS REPORTED REFTEL). HE ASKED ME TO SPECIFY THAT HE WAS NOT SEEKING MEETING AND WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE ABLE TO COME TO WASHINGTON, BUT IF ROGERS FOUND IT CONVENIENT TO BE IN NEW YORK THEN, HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO MEET WITH HIM.
MATTHEWS UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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